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Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 20 April 2006.
- 2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-20 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1-20 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☐ The drawing(s) filed on _____ is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☒ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☒ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☒ None of:
1. ☒ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).
- * See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

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DETAILED ACTION

Response to Amendment

1. Applicant's arguments, filed 04/20/2006, with respect to claims have been considered but are moot in view of the new ground(s) of rejection. Claims 1-20 are currently pending.

Drawings

2. The subject matter of this application admits of illustration by a drawing to facilitate understanding of the invention. Applicant is required to furnish a drawing under 37 CFR 1.81(c). No new matter may be introduced in the required drawing. Each drawing sheet submitted after the filing date of an application must be labeled in the top margin as either "Replacement Sheet" or "New Sheet" pursuant to 37 CFR 1.121(d). Applicant is reminding the discloser must also contain a brief description of the drawing. No new matter should be entered.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

3. The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

(b) the invention was patented or described in a printed publication in this or a foreign country or in public use or on sale in this country, more than one year prior to the date of application for patent in the United States.

4. Claims 1-12 and 15-20 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by GasPard, II (U.S. 6240362).

Regarding claim 1, GasPard discloses a system for providing travel information on a mobile communication device (fig. 1, col. 4, lines 38-50 and col. 6, lines 9-11), comprising:

- a) means for entering a destination in the communication device (fig. 1 and fig. 2, col. 6, lines 39-45);

b) means for transmitting the entered destination to a control computer (fig. 1 and fig. 2, col. 7, line 20 to col. 8, line 41);

c) means for assigning a current location to the communication device by the control computer (fig. 1 and fig. 2, col. 7, line 20 to col. 8, line 41);

d) communication means between the control computer and route control facilities for public transport station (fig. 1 and fig. 2, col. 7, line 20 to col. 8, line 41);

e) means for accessing the current locations of public transport, the locations being available from the control facilities via the control computer (fig. 1 and fig. 2, col. 7, line 20 to col. 8, line 41);

f) means for generating a location dependent public transport timetable (fig. 1 and fig. 2, col. 7, line 20 to col. 8, line 41);

g) means for transferring the timetable to the mobile communication device (fig. 1 and fig. 2, col. 7, line 20 to col. 8, line 41); and

h) means for displaying the timetable at the mobile communication device (fig. 1 and fig. 2, col. 7, line 20 to col. 8, line 41).

Regarding claim 2, GasPard discloses all the limitation in claim 1. Further, GasPard discloses the system wherein the mobile communication device further comprises a location detection module and means for transmitting information regarding the current location to the control computer (col. 6, lines 28-37).

Regarding claim 3, GasPard discloses all the limitation in claim 1. Further, GasPard discloses the system further comprising means for assigning to the mobile communication device

at the device's current location the location of a send/receive unit with which the mobile communication device is currently communicating (col. 7, line 52 to col. 8, lines 25).

Regarding claim 4, GasPard discloses all the limitation in claim 1. Further, GasPard discloses the system further comprising means for repeatedly generating the timetable and means for receiving an updated timetable at the mobile communication device (col. 7, line 52 to col. 8, lines 25).

Regarding claim 5, GasPard discloses all the limitation in claim 4. Further, GasPard discloses the system wherein the updated timetable is only transmitted up to a specifiable time before reaching the transfer point (col. 7, line 52 to col. 8, lines 25).

Regarding claim 6, GasPard discloses all the limitation in claim 1. Further, GasPard discloses the system further comprising means for evaluating an arrival time of the mobile communication device at a transfer point when the mobile device is enroute via the public transport (col. 7, line 52 to col. 8, lines 25).

Regarding claim 7, this claim is rejected for the same reason as set forth in claim 1

Regarding claim 8, this claim is rejected for the same reason as set forth in claim 2

Regarding claim 9, this claim is rejected for the same reason as set forth in claim 3

Regarding claim 10, this claim is rejected for the same reason as set forth in claim 4

Regarding claim 11, GasPard discloses all the limitation in claim 16. Further GasPard discloses the method wherein an updated timetable is only transmitted up to a predetermined time before the mobile communication device reaches a transfer point and suppressing the timetable if it is available after the predetermined time (col. 7, line 52 to col. 8, lines 25).

Regarding claim 12, claim is rejected for the same reason as set forth in claim 6.

Regarding claim 15, GasPard discloses all the limitation in claim 1. Further, GasPard discloses the system wherein the means for displaying the timetable further comprises means for visually displaying the timetable (col. 8, lines 19-41).

Regarding claim 16, GasPard discloses all the limitation in claim 1. Further, GasPard discloses the system wherein the means for displaying the timetable further comprises means for audibly displaying the timetable (col. 8, lines 19-41).

Regarding claim 17, Cox et al. disclose all the limitation in claim 7. Further, GasPard discloses the method further comprising the step of displaying the timetable via the mobile communication device (col. 8, lines 19-41).

Regarding claim 18, GasPard discloses all the limitation in claim 17. Further, GasPard discloses the method wherein the step of displaying the timetable further comprises the step of visually displaying the timetable (col. 8, lines 19-41).

Regarding claim 19, GasPard discloses all the limitation in claim 17. Further, GasPard discloses the method wherein the step of displaying the timetable further comprises the step of audibly displaying the timetable (col. 8, lines 19-41).

Regarding claim 20, GasPard discloses all the limitation in claim 10. Further, GasPard discloses the system further comprising the step of determining whether an updated timetable is needed (col. 7, line 52 to col. 8, lines 25).

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103

5. The following is a quotation of 35 U.S.C. 103(a) which forms the basis for all obviousness rejections set forth in this Office action:

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(a) A patent may not be obtained though the invention is not identically disclosed or described as set forth in section 102 of this title, if the differences between the subject matter sought to be patented and the prior art are such that the subject matter as a whole would have been obvious at the time the invention was made to a person having ordinary skill in the art to which said subject matter pertains. Patentability shall not be negated by the manner in which the invention was made.

6. Claims 13-14 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over GasPard, II (U.S. 6240362) in view of Schmier et al. (U.S. 6006159).

Regarding claim 13, GasPard discloses all the limitation in claim 7. However, GasPard do not disclose the method wherein after issuing the individual timetable a seat reservation with confirmation can be made using the mobile communication device for the planned means of public transport.

In the same field of endeavor, Schmier et al. disclose the method wherein after issuing the individual timetable a seat reservation with confirmation can be made using the mobile communication device for the planned means of public transport (col. 13, lines 12 to col. 14, line 18).

Therefore, it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to modify the wireless telephone user of GasPard by specifically including after issuing the individual timetable a seat reservation with confirmation can be made using the mobile communication device for the planned means of public transport, as taught by Schmier et al., the motivation being in order to notify a passenger waiting for a public transit vehicle of the status of the vehicles.

Regarding claim 14, GasPard discloses all the limitation in claim 7. However, GasPard do not disclose the method wherein a reservation profile is stored on the control computer.

In the same field of endeavor, Schmier et al. disclose the method wherein a reservation profile is stored on the control computer (col. 13, lines 12 to col. 14, line 18).

Therefore, it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to modify the wireless telephone user of GasPard by specifically including disclose the method wherein a reservation profile is stored on the control computer, as taught by Schmier et al., the motivation being in order to notify a passenger waiting for a public transit vehicle of the status of the vehicles.

Conclusion

7. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Dai A Phuong whose telephone number is 571-272-7896. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday to Friday, 9:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M..

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Nguyen M Duc can be reached on 571-272-7503. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-7503.

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